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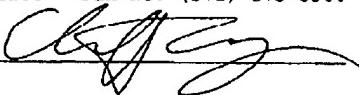
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Art Unit: 2877

Filed: January 28, 2004

Examiner: Jarreas C. Underwood

For: DEFORMABLE PHOTOELASTIC DEVICE

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWABILITY

To the Director of Patents and Trademarks

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowability dated September 8, 2008:

Kindly consider the following comments.

In the Allowable Subject Matter section, the Examiner has set forth reasons for the allowability of certain claims. Applicant respectfully traverses these reasons. Specifically, it is submitted that the subject matter of the allowed claims is patentable for their respective recitations of claimed combinations as a whole. That is, patentability of the claims rests on the combination of recited elements and limitations. As such, Applicant submits that no one element or limitation in particular should be deemed to impart or be required for patentability of the claims. Furthermore, Applicant also submits that the dependent claims are allowable not only for their dependence on the allowed claims, but also for the additional subject matter recited in each

of those dependent claims.

In addition, Applicant has noted a typographical error on Page 2, section 4 of the Notice of Allowability. On the third line of the section, "foes" should read "does." The Examiner informed Applicant's Counsel Clifford D. Hyra on September 22, 2008, that this error does not appear in the text of the claims and should not appear in the issued patent.

Respectfully,



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